Performance Audit

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Cooper Street Correctional Facility

Department of Corrections

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Cooper Street Correctional Facility is a secure level I prison for males with a prisoner capacity of 1,360. The Facility also serves as a centralized staging point for prisoners transferring to the Department of Corrections' Camp Program and as a release facility for prisoners who are about to be paroled, discharged, or transferred to community center placement. The Facility is located in Jackson County.

Audit Objective:

To assess the Facility's compliance with selected policies and procedures related to safety and security.

Audit Conclusion:

We concluded that the Facility was generally in compliance with selected policies and procedures related to safety and security. However, we noted reportable conditions related to gate manifests, tool control, employee searches, prisoner shakedowns and cell searches, metal detector calibration, and security monitoring exercises and fire exit drills (Findings 1 through 6).

Agency Response:

Our audit report contains 6 findings and 8 corresponding recommendations. The Facility's preliminary response indicates that it agrees with the recommendations and has complied or will comply with them.

A copy of the full report can be obtained by calling 517.334.8050 or by visiting our Web site at: http://audgen.michigan.gov



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